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Title: Problems being faced by Onion grower in Karnataka.

SHRI PRAHLAD JOSHI : Madam, I come from the northern part of Karnataka. In my constituency, onion is grown in large quantity. I am sorry to say that onion growers are not getting remunerative prices. They are getting less than Rs. 5 per kg, that too only for the good quality onions.

Unfortunately, I found here in Delhi and in other metros, the price of onion per kg. is more than Rs. 25 and sometimes it touches Rs. 30. Even the Government has lost power because of the high onion price in Delhi. It is unfortunate that farmers are suffering and they have to sell the onions at Rs. 4 or Rs. 5 per kg. They are demanding MSP.

I came to know that the Central Government has banned the export of onion indirectly because the end user, that is the consumer, is not getting onions at affordable prices in the Metros. The farmers are on strike and they are on the streets demanding remunerative price. They are getting less than Rs. 5 for their onions, but here it is selling at the rate of Rs. 30 per kg.[\[MSOffice84\]](#)

So, in such a situation, I would urge upon the Central Government to give proper attention and intervene in this matter. I would also urge upon the Central Government to see that whatever restrictions have been put for the export of onion should be withdrawn. Minimum Export fee has been increased. I would also urge that more encouragement should be given for exports.

Secondly, the Central Government should also see that they should arrange to transport all those onions from Karnataka. I heard that there is a problem in Maharashtra also to send it to the other metro cities where the prices are too much for the end users. By that, you can give a remunerative price to the farmers also and you can give good price to the end users also. So, I once again urge upon the Government to take care of it.

SHRI SURESH ANGADI (BELGAUM): Madam, I would like to associate with him.

MADAM CHAIRMAN : Yes, you can associate with him.